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Prices were unchanged in Chicago and New York. In all other areas, prices were unchanged on medium and sharply higher on the heavier weighted eggs. In the Southeast, the market tone was fully steady to firm on the larger sizes and steady on the balance. Trade sentiment in other regions ranged steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies of the larger sizes were closely balanced to tight but generally sufficient for medium. Breaking stock demand was light to occasionally moderate for about adequate to adequate offerings. Light type fowl were short to sufficient for the fair demand.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia prices were unchanged to 5 cents higher on large and extra large and unchanged on medium. In Boston and New England prices were unchanged from the previous week. The market tone was fully steady to instances firm on white larger sizes, steady on white medium, and steady to fully steady on brown eggs. Demand ranged fair to good, best where feature activity was noted. Supplies were adequate for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate to adequate for the fair demand. Light type hens were about sufficient for the fair demand.

MIDWEST Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were 4 cents higher for the larger sizes and unchanged for the balance. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment fully steady to mostly firm. Retail demand fairly good to good for the larger sizes and improving for mediums. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were closely balanced to tight for the larger sizes and about adequate for the lighter weight eggs. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was mostly light to instances moderate. Offerings were adequate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules vary from plant to plant. Trade sentiment steady.

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady to fully steady. Retail and food service demand in a full range from light to good and best to features that are planned or in progress. Supplies adequate and larger sizes more closely balanced.

SOUTHERN In Atlanta and Florida, prices were sharply higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. The market tone was fully steady to firm on the heavier eggs and steady on the lighter weighted eggs. Demand was moderate to instances good. Mediums were usually sufficient for current requirements. However, supplies of large and extra large ranged closely balanced to tight for full trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending March 08, 2002 was 64.11 cents, 6.17 cents more than a week earlier, but 5.71 cents less than last year. Breaking stock demand was fair and unaggressive for about adequate to adequate offerings. Light type hens were short to adequate for processing schedules.

WESTERN Prices throughout the region 3 cents higher on jumbo, 4 cents higher on extra large and large, and unchanged on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 7% higher than last Monday with California up 15% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 3%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings in good balance.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was fully steady on the larger sizes and steady on medium. Demand was mixed, ranging fair to good, although better where scattered features were in place. Supplies were adequate for current needs.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA		
	LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	100-102	93-95	75-77
New York	73-77	71-75	47-51
Philadelphia	68.5-75	67.5-73	46-49
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	63.5-70	61-68	38-41
Jackson (1)	64-66	63-65	43-45
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	72-84	71-83	46-56
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	64-68	62-66	39-43
Detroit (2)	60-65	59-64	39-43
Major Ohio Cities (2)	62-66	61-64	37-41
Major Wisconsin Cities	63-70	62-68	39-44

WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	82-85	77-81	54-57
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	101	95	74
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(2) - Delivered Warehouse		
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

CALIFORNIA Prices 3 cents higher on jumbo, 4 cents higher on extra large and large, unchanged on medium and small. The California inventory was 15% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand fair. Offerings in good balance. Small invoice price 54. Ads in Northern California: major- large dozen buy 1 get 1 free.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	102
EXTRA LARGE	101
LARGE	95
MEDIUM	74
PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.	
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
	RANGE
JUMBO	239-299
EXTRA LARGE	229-279
LARGE	199-219
MEDIUM	179-199
JUMBO	239-279
EXTRA LARGE	205-249
LARGE	189-239
MEDIUM	175-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending March 15, 2002 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending March 08, 2002 were 295,125 cases which was 6 percent above the prior week and 6 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	254,091	41,034	295,125

% change from the prior week.....	+8	-2	+6

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Demand was mostly light to instances moderate. Offerings were adequate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules vary from plant to plant. Trade sentiment steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	28-31	28-30
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-16	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair with current schedules normal. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-MAR-02

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-11.75	8.5-9.25	9.05

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for about adequate to adequate offerings. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Movement of finished product was clearing available offerings. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-MAR-02.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
		CENTS/LB.	AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.75-10.5	8.5-9	8.82
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM March 11, 2001

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		Northeast	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO Atl	5-Area Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	14.2	21.2	10.8	16.0	12.7	74.9
	Change	1.2	0.9	0.9	1.3	-3.0	2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	30.8	49.5	19.0	29.7	32.2	161.2
	Change	2.4	0.5	-3.0	7.7	2.9	7%
Large	Curr Wk	47.6	143.6	95.4	103.0	138.1	527.7
	Change	1.1	21.5	-6.9	12.1	18.5	10%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.3	40.7	20.6	21.1	28.2	123.9
	Change	0.4	3.4	2.0	1.0	-0.6	5%
Small	Curr Wk	4.7	6.2	6.2	5.6	10.2	32.9
	Change	0.4	-0.9	-1.1	0.0	2.6	3%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.3	23.7	8.2	10.5	5.4	51.1
	Change	-0.6	5.9	0.2	-1.0	-2.4	4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	19.4	50.7	26.1	29.4	33.8	159.4
	Change	-1.5	-15.5	-3.4	0.8	-1.0	-11%
Total	Curr Wk	133.3	335.6	186.3	215.3	260.6	1131.1
Percent	Change	3%	5%	-6%	11%	7%	4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1,131.1	4%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	244.0	1%	38
Total Shell Egg	1,375.1	4%	208

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25, 2002.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	181.4	178.4	169.4	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 25, 2002 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	141	141	131	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR MARCH 8, 2002

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
11.75								26.75								38.50							
SE				NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS							
CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST	ORG	DST								
GNR W XL	—	—		—	—	—	—	4.00	GL W J	52.00	—	—	—	—	60.50	1.00							
GNR W 1	49.00	—		—	51.00	—	—	20.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	62.00	.50							
GNR W 3	—	—		—	—	33.00	35.00	2.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	61.00	.75							
GNR W 4	—	33.00		—	—	29.75	—	1.00	GL W MD	—	—	—	36.00	32.50	37.50	3.00							
GL W XL	—	—		57.00	59.00	53.00	—	2.50															
GL W LG	—	—		—	—	52.00	—	.75															
GL W MD	—	—		29.50	32.00	27.50	—	4.75															
GL W SM	—	—		24.00	25.50	—	—	1.00															
NRBS - 48	—	—		27.00	28.00	—	—	.25															
NRBS - 39	—	—		16.00	18.00	—	—	.25															

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 03/04/02-03/08/02

CURRENT LOADS 67.25								FUTURE LOADS 145.25								TOTAL LOADS 212.50							
SE				NE		MW		LOADS	SC			NW		MW		LOADS							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS		ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST									
GNR W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00	GNR W 1	—	52.50	—	—	—	—	7.50							
GNR W 1	47.00	54.68	46.58	49.18	44.40	47.00	103.50	GNR W 2	—	54.00	—	—	—	—	2.00								
GNR W 2	—	49.80	—	45.50	39.00	48.50	23.00	GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	31.17	32.50	5.00	GNR W 4	27.00	29.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GNR W 4	—	32.25	—	—	29.04	29.50	6.00	GNR BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	57.00	1.00								
GNR BR XL	—	—	—	—	46.00	—	1.00	GL W J	54.00	—	—	—	—	63.25	4.00								
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	47.00	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	59.00	—	—	—	63.73	11.75								
GL W J	—	—	—	—	52.75	—	2.00	GL W LG	—	59.90	—	64.75	—	61.50	14.75								
GL W XL	—	63.11	55.36	59.07	54.69	—	44.50	GL W MD	32.25	—	—	36.00	32.50	37.71	6.25								
GL W LG	—	62.63	56.43	56.52	51.46	—	40.25	NRBS - 42	21.00	23.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W MD	—	35.73	28.75	31.50	28.20	36.00	17.75	NRBS - 39	18.00	20.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W SM	—	—	24.00	25.50	22.00	23.50	3.75																
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00																
NRBS - 48	—	—	27.00	28.00	32.75	31.60	6.25																
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	27.25	30.00	3.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	16.00	18.00	—	18.70	15.25																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 02/24/02 - 03/02/02

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern, CA	# Cases Shipped To Central, CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern, CA	Total State
Colorado	0	1,620	1,319	2,939
Illinois	0	0	2,430	2,430
Indiana	0	0	830	830
Iowa	3,201	830	44,302	48,333
Michigan	0	750	888	1,638
Minnesota	0	1,620	7,374	8,994
Missouri	0	0	2,310	2,310
New Hampshire	0	0	2,910	2,910
Ohio	0	750	1,658	2,408
Oregon	3,897	0	0	3,897
Pennsylvania	0	0	780	780
Utah	0	2,090	9,575	11,665
Washington	0	576	0	576
Wisconsin	0	0	610	610
TOTAL	7,098	8,236	74,986	90,320
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY	7,098	8,236	74,986	90,320

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
120-123	81-84	74-77	56-59	25-28

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

Receipts from the mainland: 2/24/02-3/2/02
 30-dozen cases 5,584
 Receipts from the mainland: 2/17/02-2/23/02
 30-dozen cases 6,296

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
66-76	59-63	57-62	37-40	25-29

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
82.81	81.81	57.57	45.51

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
43-46	20-24	7-10

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	03/04/02	02/25/02	03/05/01
PACIFIC COAST	333	346	46
LOS ANGELES	295	319	19

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